

# The State of Maryland



## Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

### YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

**MAY 5-11, 2024**

**WHEREAS,** Youth Apprenticeship Week is a nationwide celebration that highlights the benefits and value of Registered Apprenticeship program opportunities for youth, ages 16-24; and

**WHEREAS,** Maryland has been a nationwide pioneer in youth apprenticeship programs since 2016, having served more than 1,700 young adults; and

**WHEREAS,** the number of Maryland youth apprentices continues to grow with a record of more than 950 young people from across our state who are presently earning and learning within the Apprenticeship Maryland Program for the 2023 - 2024 academic year; and

**WHEREAS,** more than 650 employers from all of Maryland's high-growth, high-demand industry sectors have joined the program, recognizing the value of the apprenticeship model in support of fostering robust talent development pipelines helping to ensure their future economic vitality; and

**WHEREAS,** the continued expansion of Maryland's youth apprenticeship ecosystem is a crucial element of the Blueprint for Maryland's Future and the series of transformative initiatives to ensure all of the state's young people have the skills necessary for college and career readiness; and

**WHEREAS,** Governor Moore's firm commitment to "Leave No One Behind" is reinforced by the broadened access to both youth and registered apprenticeship opportunities that Maryland's youth apprenticeship system provides.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MAY 5-11, 2024, as YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP WEEK in the State of Maryland and commend this observance to all citizens.**



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,  
this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May  
Two Thousand and twenty-four

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Governor

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Lt. Governor

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Secretary of State